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Disk File Management System

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 14, 2006, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins  
on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.